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graphy and endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP).

ERCP employs fiberoptic endoscopy and radiography in the study of biliary and pancreatic disease. The technique involves the passage of a side-viewing endoscope into the duodenum with visualization of the papilla of Vater. This is subsequently cannulated and radiographs are obtained of the biliary tree and pancreatic ductal system after dye infusion. Since most pancreatic diseases and virtually all causes of surgical jaundice have characteristic ductal abnormalities, ERCP provides a valuable and accurate means of obtaining diagnostic information. The procedure is generally safe and a trained endoscopist will have an 82-93% success rate.